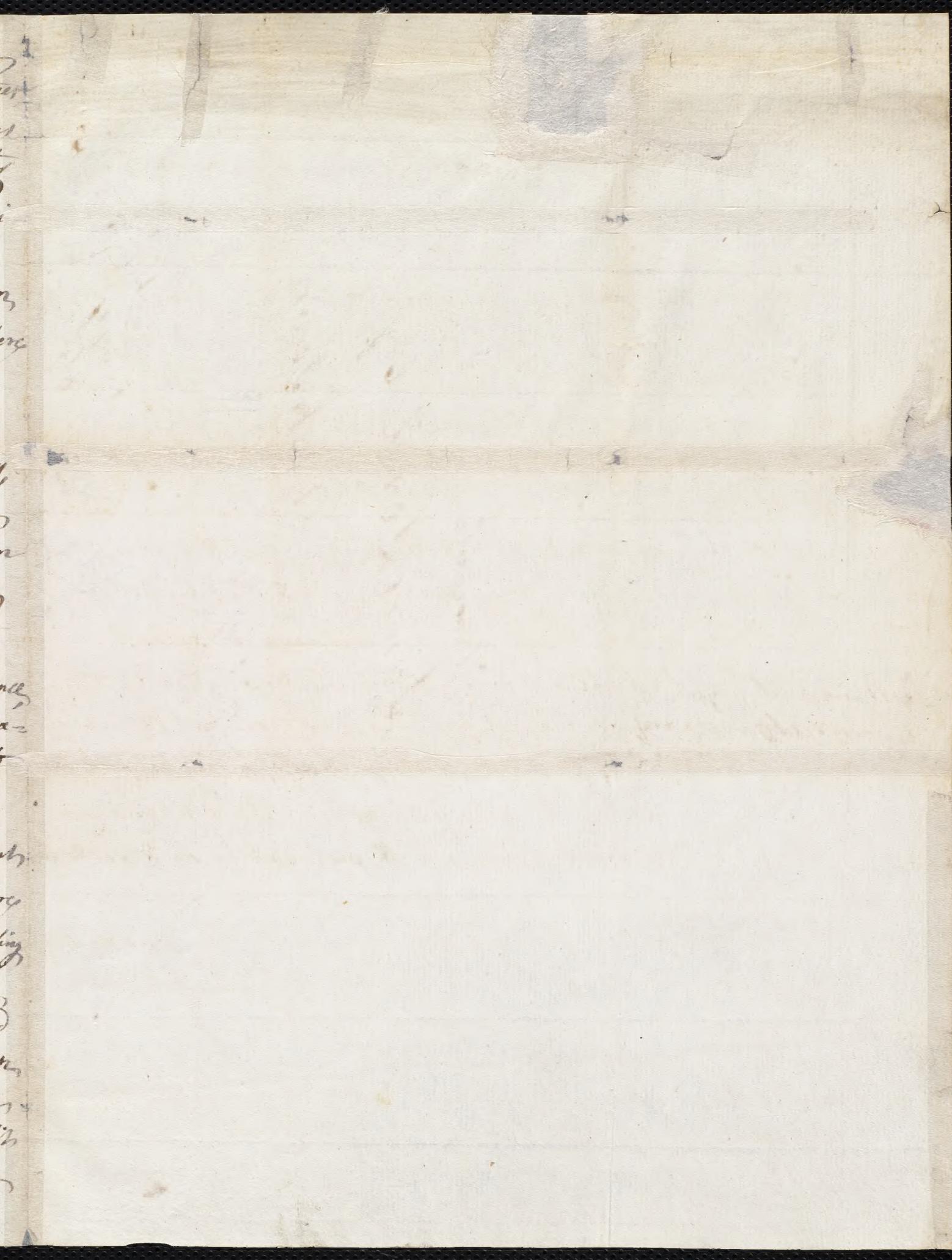


Boston April 28th 1778

Dear S: notwithstanding I have neglected so long to ac-
knowlege your favours 14. ult: inclosing W Lemoyne's
Letter, yet be assured it is with the greatest pleasure that
I receive a Line from my much respected Friend Lovell
whose sufferings & exertions for the Rights & Liberties of his
Country intitle him to the greatest respect, pardon me I
had most forgot who I was writing to
The Letter you inclosed me is very similar to the account he
gave of the matter while here, I believe it was in W.A. power
to have given such a colouring to the manner in which he took
the Bath, as would have put him into the Clap of Doreess, but W.A.
comes hot from the glare of British power & could not suddenly
bring himself to conceive the same reverence due to his own
Countrymen, could not realize as Independent States, & so dare
not in any respect irritate his Denizenship with them, he put
on a firmness to counteract the softer persons, while here,
that he seems to have abated something of in his Letter to you
you know Johnny is sudden in his determinations, he did not
meet at first with that reception he expected, & suddenly deter-
mined not to attempt an accomodation in his embarras-
circumstances, which in my opinion shew ^{more} obstinacy than
good judgement considering the peculiar situation of his family
W.A. & many others may be compared to the Boys & Frogs
in the Fable, as to their former conduct it might be only funn
& sport with them to pelt & laugh, but its effects if not suddenly
quashed would have been death to us or great serious Cause in

which we were enge
d. I am heartily sorry that Mr Q
has fallen into this predicament, he certainly has many virtues,
for which I esteemed him, & had it not been for his connections
he might now have been a valuable member of this community
I show the letter to Mr C. A, agreeable to your desire, whose opi
-nion I need not mention as this goes by him who you will
doubtless be glad to see, we are sorry to have him leave the Town,
but think it proper he should be active in a more important sphere
at this most important time — I congratulate you on
the great & very seasonable news from Europe, it gives new
spring to all the true Independants, which I trust, are this way,
nearly the majority, I sincerely pray the Fountain of all
Wisdom & Goodness to direct the Congress at this time when
our enemies are about to try to accomplish that by artifice,
which they cannot by force, it was always said of Britain
she beat in field, but was beat in the Negotiations with France,
now if we can beat them in both, we shall attract the admira
tion of all the World, oh the pitiful shifts they are put to
to send over an half begotten illbegotten Hemorphisite
which is neither male or female Dependant or Independent,
not yet born, yet sent across the Atlantic to accomplish more
than 60,000 men could do, oh! strange — but where am I rambling
to, it grows later further a'bout home, I saw Mrs Lovell
sunday well, am sorry for your loss, have not hear'd a word
from Mr. Walker for many months he has never wrote from camp,
Balch is up in the Woods making Hats & Hay, my family are
all well, my office constantly engages me tho' to little profit
Madam I will shew you my thoughts upon that subject, money
scarce, all sorts of goods fall tho' home produce stances
yours sincere friend N. Appleton



Dear Father Appleton Esq.
with all his anxiety's letter

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